



Queen Anne Cobblestone

The Newsletter of the Queen Anne Historical Society, Seattle, WA

September, 2007

7th Church Saved

The Seventh Church of Christ, Scientist, at 8th Ave. W. and W. Halliday St., was saved from the wrecking ball on Friday, August 31 when it was sold to the Seattle Church of Christ for their new home.

This 1926 historic building will be upgraded and used by the new congregation of about 300 members. They are already at work on repairs. Rev. Jay Kelly, one of the minister of the new church owners, has announced plans for an **open house on Sunday, Oct. 14, 10:00 am.**

For the past year the Society's Landmarks/Preservation Committee, chaired by Char Eggleston, has been working to save this building. Thanks to Char, Leanne Olson and numerous others, this handsome structure will continue. **Inserted in this Cobblestone is a page of acknowledgements of the many participants in this preservation success.**

Recognize This House?

See the November Cobblestone.



Photo by Isabel Egglin

CRUISING UPTOWN—THEN & NOW

OUR SEPT. PROGRAM IS ON A SATURDAY

SAT. SEPT. 22, 2 PM

Our first program of the new season will be on **Saturday, Sept. 22 at 2:00 pm.** This is a change from our usual Wednesday evening membership meetings and is intended to attract those members and the public who have difficulties making a night time event.

This meeting will also be at a different location, the newly reopened **Queen Anne Library at 4th W and W Garfield.** Future meetings will continue to be on Wednesdays at McClure Middle School.

The program this month will feature our own **Bruce Jones** in a visual presentation on Queen Anne's Uptown neighborhood. Photo comparisons of then and now scenes will show the many changes that have taken place over the last 90 years. Come and see "**Cruising Uptown—Then & Now**". Bruce's presentation in March of "Top of the Hill—Then and Now" was very popular, you won't want to miss this one.

Note the different day and time!

Saturday, Sept. 22, 2007, 2:00 pm

Queen Anne Branch Library

Fourth Ave. W. and W. Garfield St.

(Use side entrance, on 4th W., the meeting is in the Prestrud Room)

QAHS meetings are free and open to the public. For more information, contact John Hennes at 206-284-2266.



Counterbalance, 1956

Courtesy Municipal Archives

Membership Notice



By now you should have renewed your annual membership for the Society's 2007-08 year. Your mailing label on page 4 shows the year your current membership expires, "2007EXP" means your membership expired May 31st of 2007. **Please use the coupon on page 3 and renew now, or bring it to the Sept. 22nd meeting at QA Library.** We've been busy this past year...and need your membership to keep our heritage efforts moving. *To learn more, call Membership Chair Holly Smith, 206-282-7515.*

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sat. Sept. 22, 2007

Program: "Cruising Uptown—Then and Now," by Bruce Jones. Our Sept. meeting—on a **Saturday afternoon** at the newly reopened Queen Anne Library, 2 pm. Free. (See story page 1.)

Fri. Sept. 28, 2007

Magnolia Program: Magnolia Book II party and readings, 7-9 pm (See below).

Sat. Sept. 29, 2007

Member Event: Tour of Ankenny House, 912 2nd Ave W. 11 am. Donation \$10.

Wed. Nov. 28, 2007

Program: To be announced. McClure Middle School Library, 7:30 pm. Free.

Wed. Jan. 23, 2008

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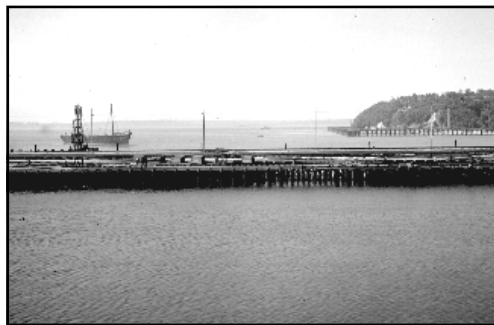
Magnolia on My Mind

Many Queen Anners have a connection with Magnolia, including your editor, who grew up there. One of my favorite history books is "Magnolia—Memories and Milestones" published in 2000 by the Magnolia Community Club and the fledgling Magnolia Historical Society.

Now, a second volume of Magnolia history is being published, "Magnolia: Making More Memories", by the no-longer-fledgling MHS. There will be a free celebration party with food, stories and an evening of readings marking the book's completion, on **Friday, Sept. 28, 7-9 pm at Our Lady of Fatima Parish Social Center, 32nd Ave W. and W. Barrett St.**

The new book will be on pre-sale for \$40 (\$45 when it comes out). Join the festivities and get your Magnolia fix.

For information go to www.magnoliahistoricalsociety.org or call 206-284-2667.



Magnolia's Smith Cove in 1914

Courtesy Seattle Municipal Archives

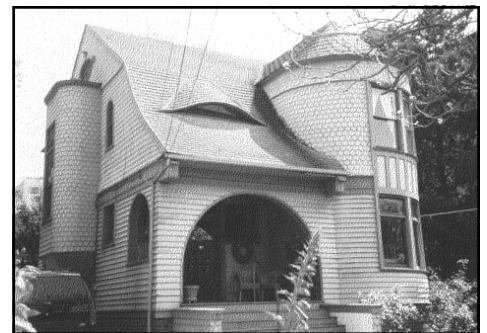
Tour of Historic Ankenny House Planned for Sat. Sept. 29, 11 am

QAHS members will have a rare opportunity to visit the historic 1890 Ankenny house at 912 2nd Ave. W. on **Saturday, Sept. 29 at 11:00 am.**

Ms. Nadine Huck has agreed to let Society members take a tour of the shingled, Queen Anne Style house at that time. The house has had considerable restoration and features many interesting design details and finishes.

A \$10 donation to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society is requested, by check or cash at the door. Please, no children under 12, no pets and no high heels. If you have stories about the house or neighborhood, please bring them.

For more information contact Isabel Egglin 206-286-3605, Isabel@qahistory.org.



Ankenny House, 912 2nd Ave. W. Built c1890 in a shingle Queen Anne style, with eyebrow window.

Photo by John Hennes

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Queen Anne Historical Society is to record and preserve, in permanent form, the history of the settling of the Queen Anne community and to develop within the community an appreciation and concern for its history and its historical sites.

HERITAGE NEWS

Queen Anne Library Reopens

Saturday, Aug. 25, saw the reopening of the Queen Anne Branch Library after 8 months of remodeling. The \$850,000 job reworked walls, electrical wiring and other infrastructure as well as new lights, paint, and carpets.



Kim Turner (L) speaks with Stuart Prestrud (R) at the QA Library opening Aug. 25. The downstairs meeting area is now named for Prestrud.

Photo by John Hennes

City Librarian Deborah Jacobs presided as the doors opened to a large community crowd. The beautiful Carnegie Library first opened its doors on New Year's Day, 1914.

New QAHS Board Elected

Our Society's well attended annual meeting May 22, at Queen Anne Manor, former home of Children's Orthopedic Hospital, included the election of new board members. Retiring were Nadine Frazier and John DeRosa. Two new members were elected, Trish Nicola and Ruth Matthews.

Our society owes thanks to Nadine and John for their long service and we welcome aboard new trustees Trish and Ruth. *Officers and committee chairs are listed on p. 2.*



Early photos of Mt. Pleasant Cemetery buildings are presented to owner Loretta Edwards by Bruce Jones.

Photo by Isabel Egglin

Spotlight on the Board

Isabel Egglin



Isabel Egglin, 2007

Isabel O'Swald Egglin grew up in Germany, moving to America in the years following WWII. She briefly lived in Alaska, where her Number One son was born. She has two surviving children, son Tom, who is on the medical faculty at Brown University, Rhode Island, and daughter Jennifer, a Microsoft financial analyst who lives in Seattle. Jennifer drew several illustrations for our book, "Queen Anne—Community on the Hill". Isabel received her B.A. from Western Washington University in Bellingham after her children were grown.

After many years living in Normandy Park she arrived on Queen Anne Hill in 1990, just in time to get involved in the Queen Anne history book project. Her skills as a photographer and photo-researcher were invaluable to the book's look and completeness.

Isabel became a member of the QAHS Board of Trustees in 1994 and has been one of the mainstays of the society ever since. Her background as an

immigrant to the US and (relative) newcomer to Queen Anne has given her a unique perspective and an interest in our community and its history. She has provided the impetus for the society's efforts in working with local schools and, along with Kim Turner, started our very popular Mt. Pleasant Cemetery tours for both adults and students.

One has to look closely to find her full story. Isabel comes from a notable family in northern Germany, she has won photography awards, she speaks four languages and she has worked as an Interpreter. Isabel likes to link together people with common interests. She is currently active with the QA Chamber of Commerce and the Wing Luke Asian Museum and, as an immigrant herself, is passionate about the program of the Secondary Bilingual Education Center at Old John Hay. She also has a garden plot at the Interbay P-Patch, although her thumb is not very green.

In addition, she provides a calming influence for your often anxious Editor by reminding him that, "it's not rocket science."

Welcome New Members

We wish to welcome the following new members to the Society:

Heidi Beck
Muriel Brasseur
Jan Hadley
Thomas Horton
Paul Merrill
Corienne Schuster
Viki Sherborne
Trish Westerman

Yes, I want to join the Queen Anne Historical Society in preserving our community's heritage and promoting the public's understanding of its past.

Name _____ Tel. _____

Address _____

City _____, State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

Member Category: (check one)

☐ Individual	\$15	☐ Patron	\$50 - \$199
☐ Family	\$20	☐ Benefactor	\$200 & up
☐ Student/Senior	\$8	☐ Contribution only,	\$ _____

☐ I would like to become active in the Society.

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Donations are deductible to the extent permitted by Federal law.

**Return with payment to: Queen Anne Historical Society,
PO Box 19432, Seattle, WA 98109-1432**

I want to order the Society's book, *Queen Anne—Community on the Hill*.

I understand that mailing costs will be added.

Prices are:

Soft cover: \$25
(\$20 for members)
Hard cover: \$45
(\$40 for members)

Please send me the following:

Soft cover qty: _____

Soft cover cost: \$ _____

Hard cover qty: _____

Hard cover cost: \$ _____

Mailing costs at \$3/book: _____

Total Cost: \$ _____

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Coming up: Special Saturday afternoon program at the newly remodeled Queen Anne Library. Sept. 22, 2 pm. Details page 1.



KIM'S MUSINGS

Rocks of Ages

I was meditating on the past the other day and a memory came to mind, which led me along familiar paths to stand on some interesting surfaces. When I was about four years old, the woods on the northwest side of Third Avenue North were being excavated for the eventual construction of an apartment complex. During the excavation they uncovered a (to us) huge stone upon which my sister and I took turns standing. I think my Mom took our pictures, as my dad would have been at work. It was a small boulder which an ancient glacier had deposited there during its retreat.

Visualizing that rock reminded me of other rocks upon which I have stood—a flank or remnant of an old lava flow on the upper ridges of Mount Rainier where I picnicked with a former library co-worker in the mid-1960s. In the mid-1970s a group of members of the Biblioovermis Club (the second post-high school group to which I belonged) did a day trip to the Columbia River to commemorate some aspect of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. We honored the recent placement of a plaque near the base of Beacon Rock, also known as Castle Rock, which thrusts upward from the Columbia River. Several of us walked the trail all the way to the top of the rock, where I was once again photographed standing on a rock.

The Biblioovermis Club was a group which formed after a series of classes on advanced book collecting which was held

at UW during 1969/70, taught by the late George H. Tweney, bookman and major book collector. It was those classes and the group which followed, grown out of a need by class attendees not to lose touch with one another, that eventually led to the formation of the Book Club of Washington in 1982.

But back to rocks. In the former Lake Union Golf Course, which we neighborhood children always called the "Galer Street Golf Course," there was a grassy knoll on which grew a marvelous hazel nut bush or tree (it was taller than I) and nearby a small outcrop of rocks which was a great place to stand to get a kite going up into the air. That is gone now, buried under the development of apartments which now sit on much of the former golf course on Queen Anne's east flank.

Another rock I remember standing on was located at the former Mercer playfield, where the beautiful fountain now provides water, music and pleasure to a great many Seattle Center visitors. The rock was nothing special to most people, but did raise me above the ground level without the whim of a swing or teeter-totter to lower me every other moment. It stood close to the fence which divided the play area from the main field which was sometimes used for baseball games, a welcome diversion from the cement-covered school playground at Warren Avenue, where Key Arena now sits. There are other good-sized rocks around Queen Anne hill. Send us memories of your favorite or noted ones!

Kim R. Turner, Researcher, QAHS

Isn't it time you became more involved with the Queen Anne Historical Society?

Join the Board of Trustees! Help out in the archives! Call John Hennes at (206) 284-2266

for more details about how you can share in making and keeping Queen Anne's history.